Responsible Drinking

1. Select from a list the definition of Binge (Episodic) Drinking, Moderate Drinking, and Responsible Drinking.

2. Select from a list responsible drinking tips





Media Messages



Messages:

- Binge drinking is out of control on college campuses
- Having a drink once a day promotes good health
- Don't Drink and Drive
- Drink in moderation
- Drink responsibly



Definitions



- Binge (Episodic) Drinking: having five or more drinks on a single occasion at least once in the past 30 days
- One drink: defined as 12 oz of regular beer, 5 oz of wine (12 percent alcohol), or 1.5 oz of 80proof distilled spirits
- Moderate Drinking: (multiple definitions)
 - Defined as the consumption of up to 1 drink per day for women and up to 2 drinks per day for men
 - One drink per typical drinking occasion at least once a week, or 2-4 drinks per typical drinking occasion 2-3 times per month, or 5 or more drinks per typical drinking occasion once a month or less
- Responsible Drinking: Not drinking irresponsibly?



Results of Irresponsible Drinking

- · DUI
- Vomiting
- Hangover
- Unexpected guest for breakfast
- Unprotected sex
- Possible STD
- Fighting
- Loss of control doing stupid things

- Reduced work quality and performance
- Financial problems
- Injury
- Problems with friends and family
- Health related problems
- Spouse/child abuse
- Passing out
- Black outs



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- Responsible drinking habits will vary from person to person; biology, sociology, and genealogy all play a role in what is considered responsible drinking.
- Due to medical conditions or dependence issues some individuals must abstain from alcohol to be considered a responsible drinker.
- Responsible Drinking: Drinking in a way that does not adversely effect an individual's ability to fulfill their legal, moral, or social obligations nor does it negatively impact their health, job performance, or quality of life.



Drinking Tips



- Eat before and during drinking.
- Before you Celebrate... Designate. Identify a responsible driver or use public transportation.
- Don't chug your drinks; drink slowly and make your drinks last.
- Alternate between alcoholic and nonalcoholic drinks.
- Remember the word HALT, don't drink if you're Hungry, Angry, Lonely, or Tired.
- Don't lose control of yourself.
- Remember, it's ALWAYS ok NOT to drink.
- Avoid binge or other high risk drinking behaviors.



Drinking Tips



- Party Responsibly. Have a good time and blow off steam, but don't make drinking your priority. Eat, dance, talk and play games. You should be there to have a good time; you shouldn't be there just to get drunk.
- Plan Ahead. Make sure you've arranged for a sober ride home BEFORE going out. Remember: if you don't have a designated driver, call a friend or take a cab.
- Pace Yourself. Limit yourself to one drink per hour or alternate between alcoholic and nonalcoholic drinks. Know your limits and stay in control of your mind and body; maintain your Warrior Pride.



Summary



- Every unit will have Soldiers that will drink irresponsibly and get into trouble.
- As the UPL you should provide every Soldier the information necessary to make informed decisions about their drinking patterns.
- Leaders (officers and NCOs) train their Soldiers to become leaders and if an Army leader decides to drink then he/she should DRINK RESPONSIBLY!



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